IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. **99,447**)

In re Application of:　　　　　　　　　　)
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Serial No.: **09/511,735**　　　　　　　　　)
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Filed: **February 24, 2000**　　　　　　　　)
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For:　Method and Application Programming　)
　　　Interface for Assigning Multiple Network　)
　　　Addresses　　　　　　　　　　　　　　)

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1.　We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above identified new patent application:

　　　☒ Information Disclosure Statement

　　　☒ PTO-1449 Form

　　　☒ Copies of Fourteen (14) Cited References

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2.　No fees are due at this time.

3.　**GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES:** Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **13-2490**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

3.　**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8:** The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described in paragraph 1 herein-above, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as "First Class Mail" in an envelope addressed to: Asst. Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 22nd day of May 2000.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97-1.98, and in accordance with the duty of candor

set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to make the following references of record in

the above-identified application. Copies of the references cited below are enclosed along

with a copy of completed PTO Form-1449.

I. CITED REFERENCES

Other Documents

1) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 768, User Datagram Protocol, August 1980, pages 1 to 3.

2) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 791, Internet Protocol, September 1981, pages i to 45.

3) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 792, Internet Control Message Protocol, September 1981, pages 1 to 21.

4) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 793, Transmission Control Protocol, September 1981, pages i to 85.

5) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 959, File Transfer Protocol (FTP), October 1985, pages 1 to 69.

6) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 1323, TCP Extensions for High Performance, May 1992, pages 1 to 37.

7) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 1631, The IP Network Address Translator (NAT), May 1994, pages 1 to 10.

8) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 2131, Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol, March 1997, pages 1 to 45.

9) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 2292, Advanced Sockets API for Ipv6, February 1998, pages 1 to 67.

10) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 2553, Basic Socket Interface Extensions for Ipv6, March 1999, pages 1 to 41.

11) "Internet Engineering Task Force", Request for Comments 2663, IP Network Address Translator (NAT) Terminology and Considerations, August 1999, pages 1 to 30.

12) "ITU-T Recommendation H.323", Series H: Audiovisual and Multimedia Systems (Systems and Terminal Equipment for audiovisual Services), Telecommunication Standardization Sector of ITU, International Telecommunication Union, February 1998, 125 pages.

13) Maurice J. Bach, The Design of the Unix Operating System, Prentice Hall Software Series, 1986, pages 382-390.

14) "Cisco IOS Release 12.0 Network Protocols Configuration Guide, Part 1", Configuring IP Addressing, Cisco Systems, 1998, pages P1C-7 to P1C-58.

II.   Discussion

Applicant submits that these documents, whether taken alone or in combination, fail to show or suggest the claimed subject matter. Applicant requests that the Examiner consider the entirety of each document and make them of record in this application. Applicant's submission of these documents for consideration is not to be construed as an admission that the documents qualify as prior art to the claimed subject matter, a representation that a search has been made, nor as an admission that the information is
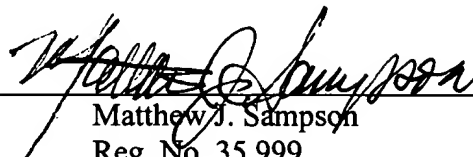
considered to be material to patentability.

Respectfully submitted,

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